## **SENATE BILL 565**

## By Overbey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, Chapter 21, Part 1, relative to structures unfit for occupation or use.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, Chapter 21, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:
  - (a) Any occupied structure declared unfit for human occupation or use shall be immediately vacated as ordered by the public officer designated or appointed to exercise the powers prescribed by any ordinance adopted pursuant to the authority of this part.
  - (b) Any person who violates an order to vacate a structure declared unfit for human occupation or use commits a Class B misdemeanor.
  - (c) Any owner, manager, or person responsible for a structure declared unfit for human occupation or use who permits or facilitates the occupancy of the structure commits a Class B misdemeanor.
  - SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it.